

5 comprising a plurality of function modules, each module for executing a function pertaining to  
6 the creation or manipulation of a compilation of content selected from the plurality of content  
7 entities, wherein the plurality of function modules receives requests from the user interface and  
8 returns information concerning the compilation of content.

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1 6. (*Amended*) A program storage device readable by a machine, tangibly embodying a  
2 program of instructions executable by the machine to perform method steps for facilitating  
3 creation and manipulation of compilations of content, comprising the step of:  
4 providing a functional layer for interfacing over a network with a user interface and  
5 interfacing with a data repository containing a plurality of content entities, the functional layer  
6 comprising a plurality of function modules, each module for executing a function pertaining to  
7 the creation or manipulation of a compilation of content selected from the plurality of content  
8 entities, wherein the plurality of function modules receives requests from the user interface and  
9 returns information concerning the compilation of content.

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1 11. (*Amended*) A system for facilitating creation and manipulation of compilations of  
2 content, comprising:  
3 a functional layer for interfacing over a network with a user interface and interfacing with  
4 a data repository containing a plurality of content entities; and  
5 a plurality of function modules in the functional layer, each module including means for  
6 executing a function pertaining to the creation or manipulation of a compilation of content  
7 selected from the plurality of content entities, wherein the plurality of function modules receives  
8 requests from the user interface and returns information concerning the compilation of content.

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